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Applicant: Norris et al.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Mail Stop: Amendment  
Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

1. We enclose the following documents:
  - Amendment Transmittal (3 pgs.), in duplicate
  - Amendment in Response to Office Action dated June 17, 2004 (8 pgs.)
  - Copy of Information Disclosure Statement filed January 12, 2004 (2 pgs.)
  - Return postcard

STATUS

2. Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_ claims small entity status.  
☒ is other than a small entity.

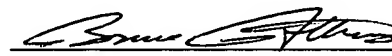
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Date: August 30, 2004

  
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### EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136  
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)
_____ first month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
_____ second month	\$ 420.00	\$ 210.00
_____ third month	\$ 950.00	\$ 475.00
_____ fourth month	\$1,480.00	\$ 740.00
_____ fifth month	\$2,010.00	\$ 1,005.00

Fee: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

*(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)*

\_\_\_\_\_ An extension of \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured. The fee paid  
therefor \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months  
of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

OR

- (b)   X   Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this  
conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that  
applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension  
of time.

## FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(Col. 2) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(Col. 3) PRESENT EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY ADDITIONAL RATE FEE	OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY ADDITIONAL RATE FEE
TOTAL		MINUS		=	x \$9 = \$		x \$18 = \$
INDEP.		MINUS		=	x \$43 = \$		x \$86 = \$
— FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+ \$145 = \$		+ \$290 = \$
					TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$	OR	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$

- (a)   X   No additional fee for Claims is required

**OR**

- (b)        Total additional fee for claims required \$

## FEE PAYMENT

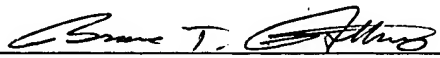
5.        Attached is a check in the sum of \$        
       Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 the sum of \$      .  
 A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

## FEE DEFICIENCY

6.   X   If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

**AND/OR**

- X   If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.
7.        Other:

  
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